

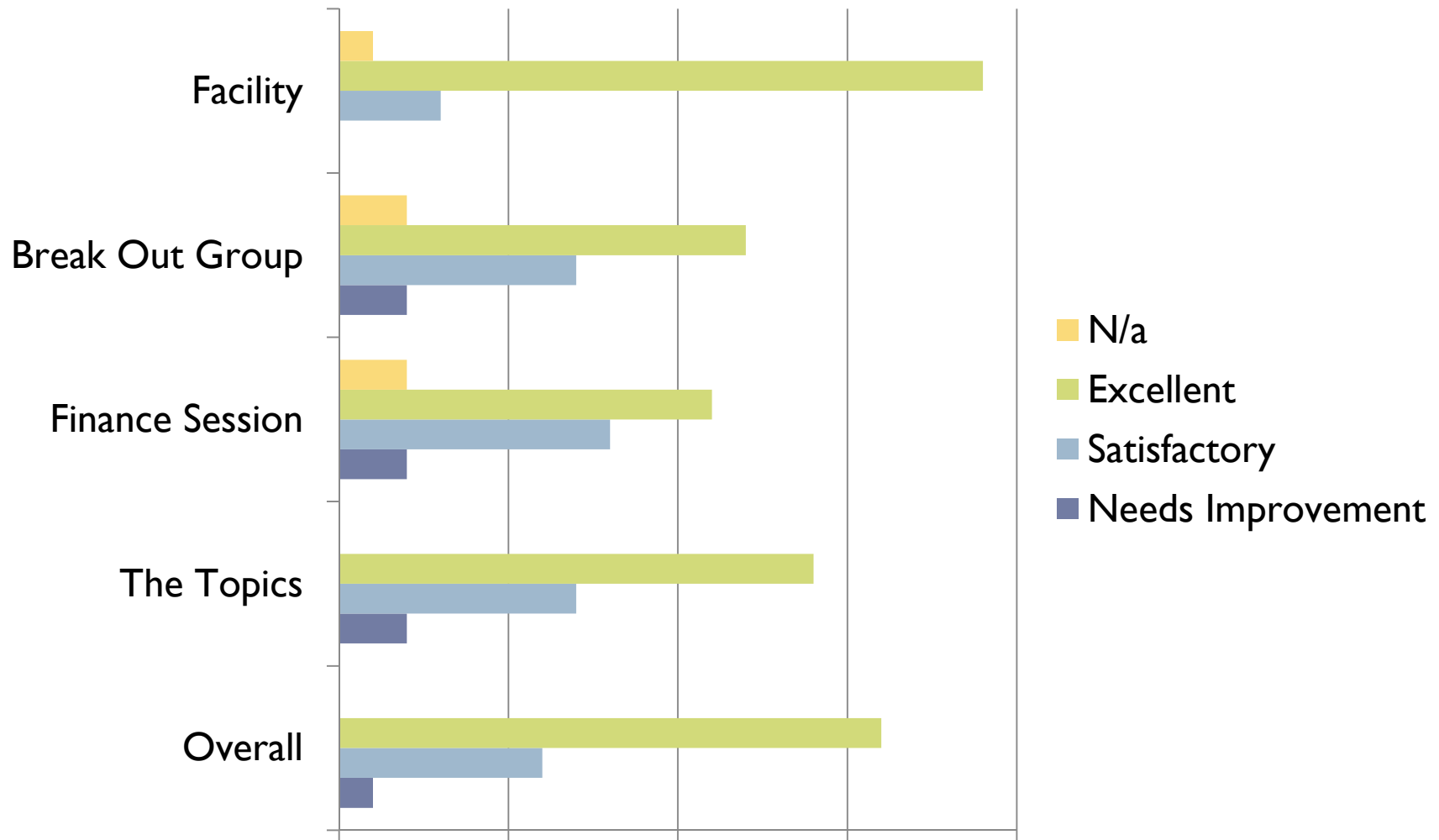


SPR 2012 – Survey Results



24 Surveys Completed

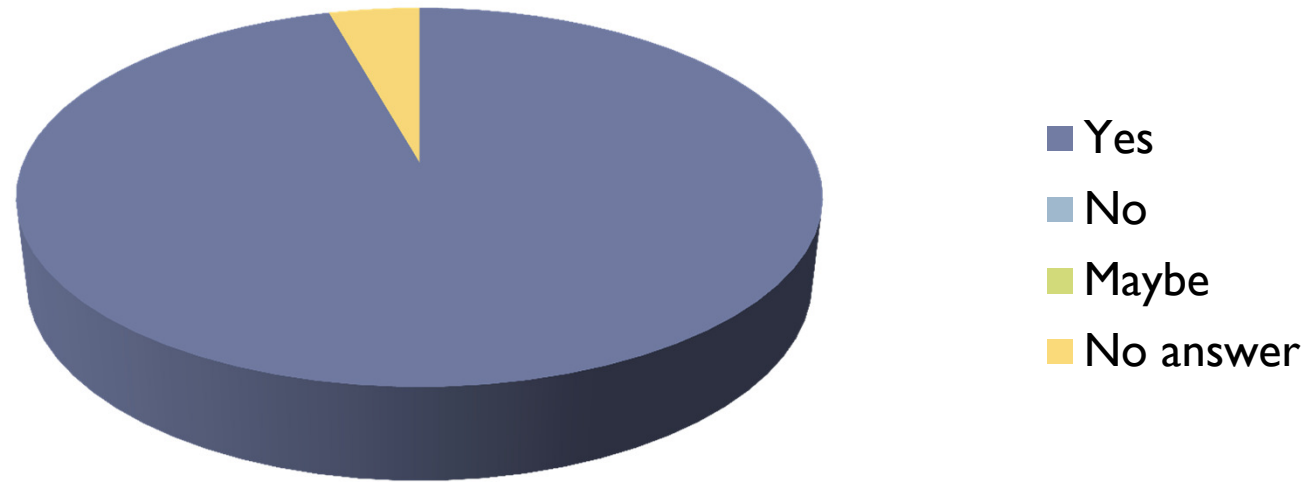
Feedback on 2012 Event



Comments on 2012 Event

- ▶ Good social event to help promote teamwork.
- ▶ I expected more exchange of ideas between presenters and participants. What it turned out to be was an information session - presentations and Q&A. This is not a bad thing, just different from what I expected.
- ▶ Wish I could have attended another breakout session. Realize there was not enough time - not even for the one session attended. Don't know what the solution is. Session involved just about right number of participants.
- ▶ Need a bit more time for the breakout sessions and a bit more variety. Also, the breakout sessions were very short so were only capable of being just question and answer sessions unlike last year which was more comprehensive and about strategizing. Overall, a good event and fun. But could use some improvement. Last year was better.
- ▶ There was a lack of specificity in the responses given in the school session.
- ▶ **Overall:**
 - ▶ I would still like to see more input/suggestions generated and less presenting by town staff.
 - ▶ Did not have a large strategy component. Good for info-sharing, Q&A interaction. Maybe goals should be changed
- ▶ **Finance:**
 - ▶ Much to do about woes and little on approaches and solutions.
 - ▶ Could have used a moderator to keep a couple of people from dominating the Q & A session
 - ▶ What are the strategy alternatives being considered? Can we discuss some or suggest others?
 - ▶ Need more time
 - ▶ Difficult to have it dominated by primarily one - would have appreciated it to include more questions (brief) and answers
- ▶ **Break Out Group:**
 - ▶ Good discussion on Special Ed and its requirements. Difficult to hear-is there any way for the breakout group leader to wear a mini-microphone?
 - ▶ Good info-sharing, needs more on alternatives
 - ▶ Good relevant topics
- ▶ **Topics/Suggestions:**
 - ▶ Volunteerism in town. Can we recruit volunteers to take up some of the slack?
 - ▶ Too much emphasis on budget. Not enough on where we are going.
 - ▶ Choices for sessions are among the most important
- ▶ **Facility:**
 - ▶ Enjoyed the outdoor setting.
 - ▶ Dinner delivery could have been more efficient

“Would you like to see another Strategic Planning Retreat?”



- Comments:
 - On financial issues.
 - It is a great event, so please keep doing it.
 - Only if it connects the outcomes/feedback from the session yesterday to the future direction.

General Comments

- ▶ It was hard to hear speakers, so perhaps a small portable microphone and speaker for each session would be great!
- ▶ I will plan to attend if offered again, and I will encourage other townspeople to attend.
- ▶ Great opportunity to informally meet with town staff and committees.
- ▶ Maybe you could have a meet and greet at 5 PM and start the program at 5:30.
- ▶ The Development breakout session I attended brought a lot of questions out from the audience.
- ▶ Good to see the interest.
- ▶ I thought the Strategic Planning Event was well attended. I hope the Town holds it again next year.
- ▶ I think the town did a great job in pulling this together, especially given the circumstances of the very hot weather. Unfortunately, it was almost impossible to hear the speakers in the breakout sessions with the competition from the fan. We should consider giving them microphones in the future.
- ▶ Nice job everyone. We really appreciate your efforts.
- ▶ In opening comments: top 5 issues in town (brief prioritized list).
- ▶ Need a little more time in the 4 sessions.
- ▶ Good job all around. Did not really see any focus on the finance discussion. Breakouts were excellent. Congrats to all who made it happen.
- ▶ How about the town comes with a list of questions to stimulate discussion like: would you prefer A or B and why?
- ▶ Like to see this shared discussion opportunity -- it shows an excellent working together of variety of boards and people.
- ▶ Good choice of 4 hot button issues.
- ▶ Did the Town staff learn anything? Great opportunity for casual conversation that doesn't seem to happen at Town Hall or during Board meetings.